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Sunday, the 10th December, "B" Co.,  
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Orderly Officer—2nd Lieut. F. H.  
Thomas.

Next for duty H.K.V.C.

PARADES FOR NEXT WEEK.

Monday, 4th December—  
"A" Co. at Blake Pier at 3.30 p.m. for  
Musketry. Dress: Drill order. Names  
of members to parade will be published  
later.

Tuesday, 5th December—  
"A" Co. at Blake Pier at 3.30 p.m. for  
Musketry. Dress: Drill Order. Names  
of members to parade will be published  
later.

Wednesday, 6th December—  
"A" Co. at Blake Pier at 3.30 p.m. for  
Musketry. Dress: Drill order. Names  
of members to parade will be published  
later.

Thursday, 7th December—  
"A" Co. at Blake Pier at 3.30 p.m. for  
Musketry. Dress: Drill order. Names  
of members to parade will be published  
later.

Friday, 8th December—  
"A" Co. at Blake Pier at 3.30 p.m. for  
Musketry. Dress: Drill order. Names  
of members to parade will be published  
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daily.  
Applicants will be required to produce  
Passports or identification papers. All  
persons, with certain exceptions, who  
remain in the Colony for more than  
7 days are required to Register them-  
selves under the REGISTRATION OF  
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Registration giving the particulars  
required may be obtained at the G.P.O.  
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12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
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8.40 p.m. and 9 p.m., 9.30 p.m. to 11.00  
p.m., every half hour.  
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an hour.

7.30 a.m. SUNDAY.  
8.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.  
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.  
11.30 a.m. to 12 Noon. Every 15 minutes.  
12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.  
1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
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£33,970,387.

I—Authorized Capital £3,000,000  
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Paid-up Capital £2,487,500

II—Fire Funds £3,837,047  
III—Life & Annuity Funds £17,667,590  
Sinking Fund Account £23,500

£33,970,387

Revenue Fire Branch £2,381,458  
Life and Annuity £1,141,593  
Branches £337,238  
Revenue Marine Department £37,238  
Other Receipts £78,949

£3,837,047

The Accumulative Funds of the various  
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10 P.M. "FATSHAN" 5 P.M. "HEUNGSHAN"

SUNDAY, 3rd DECEMBER.

10 P.M. "HEUNGSHAN" 5 P.M. "FATSHAN"

Single Fare by Night Steamer \$6.00  
Return Fare by Night (available also for Return by day Steamer) 11.00  
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S.S. "TAISHAN" Tons 2000. S.S. "SU TAI" Tons 1801  
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Week days at 8 A.M. and 2 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.  
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Week days at 7.30 A.M. and 2 P.M. Sundays at 7.30 A.M. and 2 P.M.

**EXCURSION TO MACAO.**

SUNDAY, 3rd DECEMBER.

The Company's Steamship "TAISHAN" will depart from the COMPANY'S WING LOK STREET WHARF at 8 A.M. and return from Macao at 3 P.M.

N.B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 7.30 A.M. and from Hongkong at 1 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

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Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the:—  
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## To-day's Advertisements

"KISMET."  
NOTICE.

THE General Booking for "KISMET" opens on Monday morning, and as the advance booking yesterday and to-day has been quite phenomenal, you are recommended to secure your seats without delay. On the Gala Night the entire ground floor will be given up to 35 seats and comfortable chairs will be provided instead of the old benches at the back. These back seats will be found preferable to any others for a spectacular production such as "Kismet."

Hongkong, Dec. 2, 1916. 1291

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

## FRIDAY,

the 8th December, 1916, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 5, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

## HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &amp;c.

Comprising—  
Carpets and Rugs, Sideboards, Dinner Wagon, etc., Dining Tables and Chairs, Chesterfield Sofa, Arm-chairs, &c., Turkish Towel Beds, Wardrobes and Toilet Tables, Double and Single Brass-mounted Bedsteads, &c., Miscellaneous Furniture, Blackwood Ware, Pianos, a few lots Porcelain, &c., Pantry, Bath Room and Kitchen Utensils, &c., &c., &c.

A few lots of Turkish Towels, Bath Towels, Brass Vases, Brass Fire Bowls, (Full Particulars from Catalogue.)  
TAKES—Cash.

**HUGHES & HUGHES,**  
Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, Dec. 2, 1916. 1290

## THE DIARY.

**MEMO. FOR TOMORROW.**  
9 a.m.—Excursion to Mass by S.S. "Taishan."

**MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.**  
9 a.m.—General Booking Opens for "Kismet."  
10.45 a.m.—Auction of Oil Paintings at the City Hall.

## General Memoranda.

**SATURDAY, Dec. 2:—**  
10.30 a.m.—Auction of Gramophone Records at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

10.45 a.m.—Auction of Jewellery, Binoculars, etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.  
Entries close for Wodehouse Cup (Ladies' Foursomes, Fencing).  
4.45 p.m.—Full Moon.

**MONDAY, Dec. 11:—**  
3 p.m.—Sale of Crown Land at P. W. D.

**FRIDAY, Dec. 15:—**  
Entries close for Ladies' Championship Re H.K. Golf Club.

**FRI. 15, SAT. 14, MON. 18 & TUE. 20:—**  
A.D.C. Performances of "Kismet" in aid of "Star and Garter" Fund.

THIS WEEK'S  
"OVERLAND  
CHINA MAIL"

Contents include—  
Sporting  
Local News  
War Charities  
Leading Articles  
Commercial News  
Cases in the Courts  
Social and Personal  
New What's at Kowloon  
Hongkong's Heather Day  
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for the Agreement contains the proviso that "The Government shall sign the present agreement subject to such formalities as are in accordance with the laws and treaty obligations of the Republic of China. The agreement shall not be signed in violation of any existing condition or agreement." That being so, if the Consortium are able to establish their case that the Loan is a violation of the pledge given by China in connection with the Reorganisation Loan of \$25,000,000, the American Loan Agreement becomes null and void. The position created is one of considerable importance to the Consortium Group and the bondholders, and news of China's attitude towards the protest which has been lodged will have a world-wide interest.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Attention is drawn to an advertisement on this page regarding the A.D.C.'s forthcoming production of "Kismet."

Special collections are being taken to-morrow at Union Church on behalf of the Church funds, the object being to reduce the Bank overdraft.

The Manila Observatory late last night reported a cyclone or typhoon E. of the northern Visayas or south-eastern Luzon, recurring north-eastward.

Included in the str. *Monteagle's* cargo, when she sailed for Vancouver from Yokohama on November 20, was raw silk valued at Y.4,050,000, and 20,819 packages of tea.

Chinese papers say that the Tientsin Mint has turned out 100,000 coins in commemoration of the inauguration of President Li Yuan-hang. These coins were transported to Peking on November 24.

A Greek subject named C. F. Debergion, of 32, Amoy Street, Wanchai, has reported to the Police that between 9 a.m. and 11.30 p.m. yesterday some person entered his house by means of a duplicate key and stole clothing, a Belgium heating stove and a quantity of cutlery, valued altogether at \$48.70.

Two representatives of the Standard Oil Co. have arrived at Peking for the purpose of consulting the Government authorities about the Yenchang petroleum fields in Shensi. Some Chinese papers say that the Company may make another effort for digging oil in that province, says the "Peking Daily News."

An Order made by the Governor in Council after the rule with regard to exports to Switzerland which now reads as follows: "No person shall without the special permission of the Superintendent of Imports and Exports export or attempt to export any article to Switzerland unless such article is consigned to the Société Suisse de Surveillance Economique."

The following members of "A" Coy. H.K.V.R. will parade at Blake Pier at 3.30 p.m. on Monday for Muster (Dress: Drill order).—L/Sergeant, W. J. Crawford, Corp. W. Hill, Ptes. T. Arthur, G. T. M. Edkins, F. C. M. Hurley, R. P. Thurnfield, H. A. Walker, R. L. Bridger, W. G. Worcester, H. J. Knight, W. H. Ford, J. S. Dobie, A. C. Dias, J. W. White, F. A. Brown, J. D. Kinnaird and A. D. Keigwin.

The British postal agencies in China are to be provided with special stamps, and these will be created by overprinting the existing stamps of Hongkong. The control of these British postal agencies in China was vested until recently in the Hongkong postal administration, but it has now been transferred to the Imperial Government, on whom falls the expense of their maintenance. Fifteen denominations are to be overprinted in the current King George VI. set, namely, the 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 20, 25 and 50 cents, 1, 2, 3, 5, and 10 dollars.—*L. and C. Express.*

## THE CHILDREN'S COLDS.

**WATCH** the children's colds and cure them before they weaken the vitality. Use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy freely. It is perfectly safe. It has been tested by chemists and pronounced free from injurious substances and could not be "drugged." For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

## THE MAGISTRACY.

RICHLY DESERVED  
PUNISHMENT.

Out of spite, for money which he alleged was owing to him, a discharged Chinese painter last night in Pottinger Street met his former employer and threw a quantity of pepper and ground glass into his eyes. The painter ran away but was caught by a "Special."

Dr. Ozorio told Mr. Wood that the complainant was suffering from acute inflammation of the eyes caused by the powdered glass.

Mr. D'Almada prosecuted and emphasized the seriousness of the offence.

Mr. Wood sentenced defendant to six months' hard labour.

## RICKSHA COOLIE PROSECUTED.

Sub-conductor, A. Brown A.O.D. charged a Hoklo ricksha coolie with refusing to take a fare at the Football Ground on the 11th inst. Complainant said the coolie refused him and made away to take a ricksha. The coolie said he had a fare and had been waiting two hours. Complainant said he had brought the case forward on behalf of the soldiers who had much difficulty in getting rickshas, as the coolies had a tendency to prefer civilian fares. Mr. Malbourne imposed a \$3 fine.

## WILY CHINESE STALLHOLDERS.

Inspector Terrett, of the Weights and Measures departments, prosecuting several Chinese stallholders at the Market for inaccurate scales, said his experience had been that most of the stallholders kept two pairs of scales—one good and one bad. The good scales were used when the Inspector was in the market. He often found bad scales on the first two or three stalls but all the rest were invariably good, the bad scales having been hidden on the Inspector's appearance.

THE NATIONAL MISSION OF  
REPENTANCE AND HOPE.

The Mission in Hongkong to be conducted by the Rt. Rev. F. L. Norris, D.D., Bishop of North China, commences with a service in St. John's Cathedral at 6 o'clock this evening.

Resides the services in the Cathedral mentioned in the list of Church Services we publish in another column, there is to be a mass meeting to-morrow, (men and women) in the Theatre at 9 p.m.

Four meetings at the City Hall for men only are announced for next week. The first is on Monday at 6 p.m. when the Missioner's subject will be, "Why doesn't God stop the War?"

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Dr. G. E. Aubrey has been appointed a member of the Medical Board.

His Excellency the Officer Administrator of the Government has been pleased to recognise, provisionally and pending the receipt of instructions from His Majesty's Government, Mr. Eduardo V. M. Ricci de Sousa as Consul for Ecuador at Hongkong.

Dr. H. H. Lowrey, president of Peking University, and one of the oldest American missionaries in the Far East, has returned from America accompanied by Mrs. Lowrey. He has lived in China more than fifty years.

## THE FIELD GLASS FUND.

The following letter has been received by Mr. V. Sorby from the Front, and will no doubt be of interest to those who have so kindly subscribed glasses to the Lady Roberts Field Glass Fund, to which the writer refers when speaking of the National League.

Belgium, 30th Oct. 1916.  
DEAR SIR, I have just received a pair of Field Glasses from the "National Service League," Victoria St., London.

Your name and address, was enclosed with the glasses, so I take it you are the gentleman who sent them.

Please accept my heartfelt thanks. I can assure you I will take great care of them and trust that I shall be able, personally, to see that they are safely returned to you after the War.

I lost my own glasses together with all my kit in the recent push at the Somme. Field glasses are very hard to obtain nowadays, and I was in rather a hole until I thought of the N.S.L., who, with your assistance pulled me out of it.

Yours faithfully,  
(Signed) E. A. SMITH, 91A, B' Battery, 180 Ede. R.F.A., B.E.F.

## UNNECESSARY WORDS.

**WHY** waste words and advertising space in describing the many points of merit in Chamberlain's Cough Remedy? The most fastidious are satisfied when we state that it cures colds and coughs from any cause, and that it contains absolutely no narcotic or injurious substance. It is sold by all Chemists and Druggists.

## CHINESE AFFAIRS.

## (Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE AMERICAN LOAN TO  
CHINA.

## PROTEST BY THE CONSORTIUM.

LONDON, Dec. 1.

Reuter learns that early in September China applied to the Consortium Banks for a further instalment of £10,000,000 of the Reorganisation Loan. While the matter was still being discussed China, on the 18th November, concluded an arrangement with a Chicago Bank for a Loan of a million pounds sterling. The Consortium has protested on the ground that the Reorganisation Loan Agreement gives the Consortium the first claim to make Loans to China for administrative purposes.

## (Wah Tse Yat Po's Service.)

## THE TIENTSIN AFFAIR.

PEKING, Dec. 1.

When Dr. Wu Ting Fang, the new Foreign Minister, passed through Tientsin on his way to Peking, a huge crowd assembled at the station and would not allow the train to proceed until he had delivered a short speech promising to do his best to maintain the country's territorial integrity.

Dr. Wu Ting Fang assumes office to-day.

## REVOLUTIONARY EXPENSES.

PEKING, Dec. 1.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen has asked for 89 lakhs of dollars to defray expenses in connection with the Revolution. The vote has been approved at a Cabinet meeting.

Nau Wing Kin and Tam Ho Ming also demand several lakhs each, while Li Lit Kwan wants "half" a million.

CANTONESE INFLUENCE IN  
PEKING.

PEKING, Dec. 1.

The Kwok Min Tong has increased its influence in political circles. The impending visit of Tang Shao Yi, Shum Chai Hsin and Sun Yat Sen to the capital may mean the fall of Tuan's Cabinet, and it is not improbable that Tang Shao Yi will be called upon to form a Cabinet to replace it.

## SHANGHAI TRADE.

Messrs. Liberty and Co., Ltd., write as follows in their latest weekly market report:—

There has been no relief whatever to the monetary stringency during the week. Several steamers are due to depart before the first of December, with their allotments of space fully booked up with export cargo that the money has to be found for somehow, while on the other hand next to nothing in the way of money is coming in from payments for imports, simply because of the enormously high rates of interest ruling owing to the silver famine.

But for this, there would be a vigorous business doing both ways, for exporters are by no means without orders, and there is plenty of desire on the part of several important centres to purchase imports, but the means are lacking. Szechuan buyers for instance report that there is a margin of about 15 per cent. profit on yarn between Shanghai and Szechuan prices, and that outlet has a considerable amount of money there in the form of native bank drafts, due for payment in about a fortnight's time. In the present time however that form of remittance is of no help to the monetary situation.

The one bright spot of the week has been the auctions, where prices have rallied in spite of adversity. The main reason is to be found in the modesty of the quantities offered, coupled with the fact that the piece goods trade as a whole has in the present time dwindled to such insignificant dimensions compared to formerly, that it scarcely "cuts ice."

## CLOSING SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Unions	12.30 sales
Hongkong Fire	9.25 sales
Indos Del.	375 buyers
China Sugars	130 sellers
Longkats	120 nominal
Wharves	20 buyers
	84 buyers
	85 sales
Docks	133 sellers
Humphreys	6.30 buyers
Cements	11.10 buyers

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## COMMERCIAL.

## HONGKONG SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Moxon and Taylor's weekly share report dated the 1st instant states:—

Our market has been a little more active during the past week, and a slightly better volume of business has been done, closing with the favourite counters in demand at quotations slightly over last week's rates. In view, however, of the prevailing impression that the Money Market is more likely to get tighter locally, a fair amount of caution in buying is in evidence.

Shanghai continues dull, but there is apparently an undercurrent of strength which may be expected to develop under easier monetary conditions.

Rubber is quoted 2s. 10d. per lb. from London. It may be well to bring to the notice of our constituents the fact that the estimate of the world's production of rubber for next year is lower than that produced during the current year by about 10,000 tons.

BANKS.—Hongkong Banks have come to business at 9.30, the reduction in the rate being due to the high rate of exchange ruling.

MARINE INSURANCE.—Unions are on offer at the reduced rate of \$940 with no business passing. Canton at \$400 are quiet and North China at \$125 are unchanged from last week.

FIRE INSURANCE.—Hongkong Fire at \$337, and China Fire at \$160 are quiet with nothing doing.

SHIPPING.—Douglases at the beginning of the week fell to a buying quotation of \$120, but at the close have firmed up and are now at \$122.

Deferred Indes fell away to a cash rate of \$184 but have also recovered, and to-day \$138 is quoted for cash. Star Ferries continue to offer at \$38 and Steamboats have been the medium of a fair business at \$32.

FOREIGN.—China Sugars closed last week at \$135 for November, but afterwards fell to \$128 for cash. At the close the market quotes \$131 December and \$129 cash. Malabons have come to business at \$37, closing with probable further buyers at the rate.

ONE AND TWO.—Langkats at \$12.22 and Raubs at \$3 are quiet with nothing doing. Urals could be obtained from London at 31s. and Irons are in demand at 30s. ex the third interim dividend of 1s. just paid. Shells are a quiet market at 106s.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Kowloon Wharves have been steady at \$84 offered for cash, with a small business done at \$85. Hongkong docks fell away in the beginning of the week to \$131 but close stronger at the increased rate of \$132 offered for cash.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Centrals and Hongkong Lands at \$101 are unchanged. Hongkong Hotels have been dealt in at \$115 and Humphreys Estates at \$7. West Point at \$35 and Kowloon Lands at \$35 are quiet with nothing doing.

COTTON MILLS.—Ewos are offering at \$12.100, Kung Yik at \$12.6 and Yang's at \$12.6, whilst Shanghai Cotton Mills have changed hands locally at \$12.114 for cash.

ELECTRIC COMPANIES.—Hongkong Electric have buyers at \$53 and sellers at \$54. China Light could probably be placed at \$43. Hongkong Trams have been a quiet market during the week, but the price of 1s. 10d. which many have anticipated, will soon be raised.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Borneo are wanted to a small extent at \$84 and China Providents at \$9. Wm. Fowells have sellers at \$6.30 and Dairy Farms at \$17. Waterbats could be dealt in at \$17. Cement have changed hands at \$10.65 during the week, but during the last two days have exhibited a good deal of strength, as high as \$11.10 having been done for cash and \$11.30 for December. Ropes could be placed at \$24.

## THE MANCHESTER TRADE.

Messrs. James F. Hutton & Co., Ltd., Manchester, Manufacturers and Exporters of Piece Goods to India, China, &c., in their Report for October 25th state:—Cotton values still continue their upward movement and it seems likely that the price of 1s. 10d. which many have anticipated, will soon be raised.

American futures at Liverpool yesterday were well over elevenpence with Spot Mid American fixed at 11.12. Not only Egyptian as well, and even more sensibly improved, P.G.K. Egyptian being quoted Spot @ 17.40 pence. Fresh records have, of course, been established, and there is no sign of a climax being reached, in fact we are assured that many authorities believe in considerably higher prices still.

The situation in Manchester is remarkable. Cloth is in fair demand but the advances this week have been so rapid that business at the moment is almost impossible. Cloth prices are higher than have ever been dreamt of, and the improved position of makers does not help matters. Six months ago Manufacturers were taking orders at a loss in order to keep their looms going, but the improved demand has altered the position, and generally speaking, in addition to the yarn advances, about 10 per cent. lump can now be added for manufacturers' margin. Most of the daily market reports this week speak of the markets abroad being bare of goods and of being forced to buy by necessity, but we cannot agree with that view and consider the present position of makers speaks for itself as to the amount of business done in the past six months. It is true that stocks are much reduced abroad, but at the outbreak of War most markets held record stocks, and while this reduction can be considered a healthier sign for the future, it certainly does not warrant any panic buying. We advise our friends to place their actual requirements, but to leave anything in the nature of speculative purchases alone for the present.

## SALE OF JAPANESE STEAMERS.

Agreements for the sale of seventeen Japanese steamers are reported to have been concluded last week, nine of them to foreign owners, says the "Nagasaki Press" of the 18th inst. Of the seventeen the highest price, Yen 3,000,000, was paid for the *Daikoku-maru*, a new steamer of 9,000 tons dead weight built at the Kawasaki Dockyard, and the lowest, Yen 230,000, was paid for the *Yaguchi-maru*, 1,600 tons. Since the beginning of this year twenty steamers aggregating 102,893 tons, have been sold to foreigners, the prices totalling Yen 59,557,800.

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SHANGHAI, MOI, KORE AND YOKOHAMA	SOMALI	Capt. L. D. Pinkney	about 17th Dec.	Direct Service.
LONDON & BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID & MARSEILLES	NOVARA	H. R. Hetherington, M.B.	Noon 29th Dec.	Connecting at Colombo with Mail Steamer "Mooltan".

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South American Line. For RIO DE JANEIRO, BUENOS AIRES, VIA SINGAPORE, DURBAN AND CAPE TOWN. "KASADU MARU".....Monday, 1st Jan., 1917, Noon.

Bombay Line. For BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE, PORTSWORTH, HAM, PENANG AND COLOMBO. "MALAY MARU".....Sunday, 10th Dec.

Java Line. For MANILA, SANDARAN, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, SAMARANG, SOERABAYA AND MACASSAR. "YERIMO MARU".....Thursday, 7th Dec., at Noon.

Formosan Line. For TAMSUI, KEELUNG, ANPING, TAIPEI, VIA SWATOW, AND AMOY. "KAJIO MARU".....Sunday, 3rd Dec., at 10 a.m. "SOSHU MARU".....Thursday, 7th Dec., at 8 a.m.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, PAKEHOI & HAIPHONG	YANCHOW	Dec. 3, Daylight
HOIHOW, PAKEHOI & HAIPHONG	SUNGLASS	Dec. 4, at 10 a.m.
HAIPHONG & CANTON	KWANGSI	Dec. 4, at Noon
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	TAIYU	Dec. 5, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	KIANGANG	Dec. 5, at 4 p.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	BOROW	Dec. 6, at 4 p.m.

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HAIPHONG	TAKSANG	SUNDAY, Dec. 3, at 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI, KORE & MOI	YAMASANG	MONDAY, Dec. 4, at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	YUSANG	TUESDAY, Dec. 5, Daylight
HAIPHONG	CHUNTSANG	TUESDAY, Dec. 5, at 7 a.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	FOOKSANG	WEDNESDAY, Dec. 6, at Noon
SANDARAN	MAUSANG	WEDNESDAY, Dec. 6, at Noon
SHANGHAI	KWONGSANG	THURSDAY, Dec. 7, Daylight
MANILA	YUENSANG	SATURDAY, Dec. 9, at 3 p.m.

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STEAMERS	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
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NANKIN	Dec. 15	Through Steamer	Jan. 17	Jan. 28
NOVARA	Dec. 29	*MOOLTAN	Jan. 28	Feb. 4
ROMALI	Jan. 12	*KASHGAR	Feb. 12	Feb. 19
NYANZA	Jan. 26	Through Steamer	Feb. 28	Mar. 11
MALTA	Feb. 9	*MOREA	Mar. 11	Mar. 18

\* Passengers change Steamers at COLOMBO.  
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SAILINGS DIRECT TO  
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE AND  
YOKOHAMA.

S.S.	Leave Hongkong About
NOVARA	FRIDAY, 8th December.
ROMALI	SUNDAY, 17th December.
NYANZA	SUNDAY, 24th December.
MALTA	SUNDAY, 31st January.
NANKIN	SUNDAY, 28th January.

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STEAMERS	Leave Hongkong about	Leave Suez about	Due at Marseilles about	Due London about
NOVARA	Dec. 15	Dec. 20	Jan. 17	Jan. 28
ROMALI	Dec. 29	Jan. 3	Jan. 28	Feb. 4
NYANZA	Jan. 12	Jan. 17	Feb. 12	Feb. 19
MALTA	Jan. 26	Jan. 31	Feb. 28	Mar. 11
NANKIN	Feb. 9	Feb. 14	Mar. 11	Mar. 18

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(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Edinburgh, November 1.  
LIQUOR CONTROL IN SCOTLAND.

There are signs that the Central Liquor Control Board will at no distant date set on foot important new schemes of direct control. Some hesitation has been shown in the adoption of more drastic measures in the large industrial centres, but after the experience in Carlisle it is judged that the system in operation there

may safely be extended to other more important areas. It is mentioned as one of the towns which will receive attention from the Board, and I understand that schemes involving the elimination of private interest in the sale of liquor will shortly be applied to certain populous Scottish areas. Total prohibition of the sale of spirits has been repeatedly urged by influential Scottish opinion; but naturally the Board hesitates to face such a sweeping measure.

One circumstance which will greatly influence the Board is that representatives of labour opinion have requested that further legislation should take the form of direct control adopted in Carlisle. A joint deputation from the Scottish Advisory Labour Council and the Parliamentary Committee of the Scottish Trade Unions Congress, headed by Robert Smellie, met Lord D'Abernon and other members of the Board and discussed at length the situation in Scotland. They recommended that direct control should be increased over the whole of Scotland, and that a start should be made with one or two of the larger industrial areas. This pronouncement of labour, it is anticipated on all hands here, will result in something of a far-reaching character.

In this connection it may be remarked that the price of whisky is moving upwards at a startling pace. A year ago the market price without the duty was 4s. 6d. and 5s. a gallon, now it is 15s. and 16s., and it is prophesied that it will soon reach 20s. The Government are commiserating a lot of the spirit, and it is hardly likely that the production can increase. Undoubtedly the main cause of the high price is the Government prohibition of the sale of whisky until it is three years old; this is causing wholesale firms to husband their stocks.

It would appear that the demand for consumption is keeping up well despite the higher prices and the fact that the allowable reduction of strength is increased to 50 per cent. The drinker is being touched in two ways—he is getting less alcohol and he is paying more money. Pre-war neat whisky was one thing, war-time neat whisky is quite another. It is now necessary to say "much more quickly; there is greater danger of 'drooping' the miller."

According to the statement of the Minister of Munitions, there is a decrease in the quantity of whisky consumed, in the number of convictions for drunkenness, in the number of cases of delirium tremens. But behind this lies the question—What is the effect of the restrictions and the weakening of the whisky on those who formerly drank to excess? Then the fewer apprehensions may be due to the reduction of the police force through enlistment, or to the greater difficulty in discovering drunks under the present lighting restrictions. The

whole situation is complicated, and people variously minded are drawing various conclusions, from the figures of the Excise and of the police courts.

EAR EASTERN MEN IN THE CASUALTIES.—Lieut. L. M. Robertson, Flying Corps (killed), was the son of Dr. Robertson, Lynnholm, Hamilton. He was employed for eight years with Messrs. Kerr, Polton & Co., East India merchants, Manila, and was assistant manager in one of the Philippine Islands for the firm. He came home in July last year, and was soon given a commission in the Royal Flying Corps three months ago. Sec. Lieut. L. A. Westwater, Royal Scots, attached to Tannastat

Regiment (wounded), is a son of Dr. Westwater, Manabura, who is at present on the staff of the Bellaboston Red Cross Hospital. Lieut. Westwater played cricket three-quarters for several seasons for Lismore, the holders of the Edinburgh and District Rugby Union Championship. Sir DOUGLAS HAIG AND ST. ANDREW'S. The students of St. Andrew's University, both at St. Andrew's and Dundee, have unanimously elected Sir Douglas Haig, Commander of the British Forces in France, to the Rectorship of the University for the ensuing three years. Sir Douglas Haig is a native of Fifeshire, and in his youth attended Clifton Bank School, St. Andrew's. The Marquis of Aberdeen is the retiring Rector.

THE ISLAND OF EIGG.—Mr. William Petersen, the shipping magnate, has purchased the island of Eigg, a Dane by blood. Mr. Petersen is nevertheless a very good type of the naturalised Briton. His mother was Irish, while his wife is a Scottish Sinclair. His only son—a Glenalmond boy and graduate of Cambridge—went to the front as a subaltern in the 2nd Life Guards, and fell in his first battle, at Ypres. Eigg originally belonged to the Clanranald Macdonalds; it passed through various hands, and its last owner was Mr. Laurie Thomson, a gentleman who had acquired a considerable fortune in the Far East, and who lies buried in the bleak promontory of a little island—Castle Island—fronting Eigg like a breakwater against the waves of the Atlantic. In the Lodge at Eigg, a broad, handsome edifice in the bungalow style, he had accumulated a valuable library relating to the archaeology, ethnology, and history of the Highlands and Islands, together with a fine art collection. Mr. Petersen, on lately reaching Glasgow on his way to Eigg to take possession, found a telegram announcing that the Lodge and all its priceless contents had been reduced to ashes.

CARNEGIE TRUST AND MUSIC.—I understand that the Trustees of the Carnegie Fund have in preparation an interesting scheme for the encouragement of British musical composers. Hitherto the efforts of the Trustees for the assistance of music have been mainly directed to the presentation of organs. That work is regarded as having been carried as far as is necessary. The plan now in view is that original compositions which are deemed by an expert body to be worthy of publication shall be issued at the expense of the Trustees. Thus authors who are unable to afford the cost of publication through the ordinary channels will have that barrier withdrawn for them, and will be able to bring their work before the musical public. It is expected that the details of the scheme will be announced shortly.

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